

## BULGARIA

### a. SUMMARY OF CLAIMS

TYPE	DATE	SOURCE	LIMITS	NOTES
<b>I. TERRITORIAL SEA</b>	Aug 35	Decree Concerning Territorial Waters	6nm	Enabling legislation to regulate foreign warship passage.
	Oct 51	Decree No. 514, as amended by Decree No. 90 of 9 Nov 51	12nm	Foreign warships must obtain permission prior to transiting territorial sea (Requirement deleted in 1987). Ports of Varna (Stalin) and Sozopol declared closed to foreign shipping.  This requirement is not recognized by the U.S. U.S. protested this claim in 1952, 1984, 1985 and 1986.
	Aug 62			Became party to 1958 Convention on the Territorial Sea and the Contiguous Zone (with reservations).
	Jul 87	Act Governing Ocean Space of Bulgaria		In territorial sea and internal waters, foreign submarines shall be required to navigate on the surface. Innocent passage of warships limited to designated sea lanes.  This requirement is not recognized by the U.S.
<b>II. ARCHIPELAGIC, STRAIGHT BASELINES, &amp; HISTORIC CLAIMS</b>	Aug 35	Decree		Established straight baselines enclosing Varna (Stalin) and Bourgas Bays, claimed as internal waters.
	Oct 51	Decree No. 514		Same.
<b>III. CONTIGUOUS ZONE</b>	Jan 87	Decree No. 77	24nm	
	Jul 87	Act Governing Ocean Space of Bulgaria	24nm	Claimed to exercise "rights of control."
<b>IV. CONTINENTAL SHELF</b>	Oct 62	Decree Law No. 72		
	Aug 62			Became party to the 1958 Convention on the Continental Shelf.
	Jul 87	Act Governing Ocean Space of Bulgaria		Limits will be established by agreement between states with adjacent or opposite coasts on Black Sea on basis of international law.
<b>V. FISHING ZONE/EEZ</b>	Jan 87	Decree No. 77	200nm	EEZ
<b>VI. ENVIRONMENTAL REGULATION</b>	Jul 87	Act Governing Ocean Space of Bulgaria		Forbidden to pollute marine environment in the EEZ or to discharge, introduce or dump any other pollution in internal waters and territorial sea.

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VIII. LOS CONVENTION	Dec 82			Signed.
	May 96			Acceded to Convention, Ratified Part XI Agreement.

## b. DOMESTIC LEGISLATION AND REGULATIONS

### 1. STRAIGHT BASELINES

#### A. LEGISLATION.

Following are extracts from Decree No. 514 of 10 October 1951:

1. The territorial waters of the People's Republic of Bulgaria extend into the open sea to a distance of twelve miles from the water-line on the mainland and island coasts, from the furthestmost points of port installations and from the boundary of internal waters. A nautical mile is equal to 1,852 metres.
2. The sea between the coast and a straight line drawn, in the case of Stalin Bay, from Cape Saint Constantine to Cape Ilandzhik and, in the case of Burgas Bay, from Cape Emine to the Cape of Olives (Zeytin Burun), is deemed to be part of the internal waters of the People's Republic of Bulgaria.
3. ....
4. The line of demarcation between the territorial waters of the People's Republic and those of neighboring states is the geographic parallel extending from the point at which the land frontier meets the coast.

Following are extracts from National Legislation Act of 8 July 1987:

The internal waters of the People's Republic of Bulgaria include:

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3. The waters of: (a) Varna Bay between the coastline and the straight line linking the cape of St. Konstantin to the cape of Ilandjik; (b) Burgas Bay between the coastline and the straight line linking the cape of Emine to the cape of Maslen Nos;
4. The waters between the coastline and the straight baseline linking the cape of Kaliakra to the cape of Tuzlata, the cape of Tuzlata to the cape of Ekrene and the cape of Maslen Nos to the cape of Rohi.